

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS

1. An information recording medium to which image data is to be written,

wherein the specific information, which is used for determining whether or not to create a folder for image data management with a name generated in accordance with a given rule, has been previously recorded therein.

2. The information recording medium according to claim 1, wherein said specific information includes at least one selected from the ID information for identifying said information recording medium, a predetermined type of program, and a predetermined type of content.

3. The information recording medium according to claim 1 or claim 2,

wherein said name of the folder is generated using at least one or more pieces of information selected from:

the information for identifying the area, shop, or date and time in which said image data is written;

the unique ID information of the apparatus for writing said image data;

the unique ID information of the program to be written to said information recording medium; and

the information for identifying the user requesting the writing of said image data.

4. An information recording apparatus for writing image data to an information recording medium, at least including:

a section for inputting said image data;

a section for reading the previously written specific information from said information recording medium;

a section for creating a folder for image data management with a name generated in accordance with a given rule, in the information recording medium, when said specific information has been written in said information recording medium; and

a section for recording said image data in said folder.

5. The information recording apparatus according to claim 4, wherein said specific information includes at least one selected from the ID information for identifying said information recording medium, a predetermined type of program, and a predetermined type of content.

6. The information recording apparatus according to claim 4 or claim 5,

wherein said name of the folder is generated using one or more pieces of information selected from:

the information for identifying the area, shop, or date and time in which said image data is written;

the unique ID information of the apparatus for writing said image data;

the unique ID information of the program to be written to said information recording medium; and

the information for identifying the user requesting the writing of said image data.

7. An information recording method for writing image data to an information recording medium, the method including the steps of:

previously recording the specific information used for determining whether or not to create a folder for image data management with a name generated in accordance with a given rule;

inputting said image data to an information recording apparatus;

reading said previously written specific information from said information recording medium;

creating a folder for image data management with a name generated in accordance with a given rule, in said information recording medium, when said specific information has been written in said information recording medium; and

recording said image data in said folder.

8. The information recording method according to claim 7, wherein said specific information includes at least one selected from the ID information for identifying said information recording medium, a predetermined type of program and a predetermined type of content.

9. The information recording method according to claim 7 or claim 8, wherein the step for creating said folder for image data management further includes generating a name of said folder for image data management using one or more pieces of information selected from:

the information for identifying the area, shop, or date and time in which said image data is written;

the unique ID information of the apparatus for writing said image data;

the unique ID information of the program to be written to said information recording medium; and

the information for identifying the user requesting the writing of said image data.